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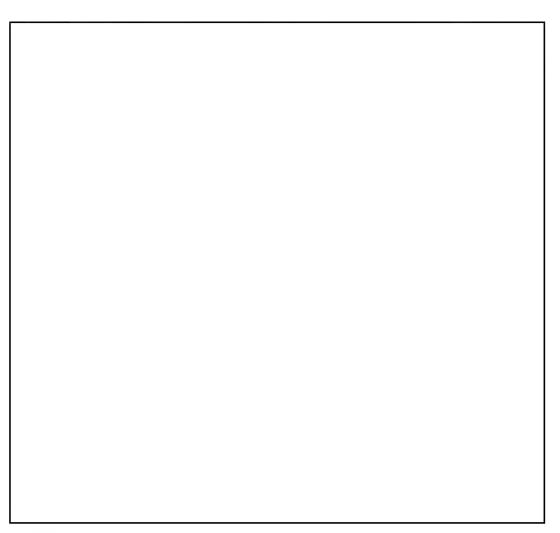
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USSR: The Soviets launched another Venus probe early this morning. This is the second Soviet probe to be launched toward Venus in the past week. Venus 5, launched on 5 January, is on course for a rendezvous with the planet in mid-May. It is not known whether the new probe will have a different mission than Venus 5, announced by Moscow as a follow-up to last year's successful operation.

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